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Much-publicized shots of Lyndon Johnson fraternizing with Sen. William Fulbright set off flurry of speculation that LBJ might be intending to use Fulbright as possible emissary to Hanoi. . . . Other important developments along peace front of the fortnight: under-wraps trip of Canadian diplomat Chester Ronning to Hanoi; announcement that Jean Sainteny of France was en route there (Sainteny handled complicated post-Geneva pact negotiations with North Vietnamese in middle and late fifties, has negotiated some tough ones with Ho Chi Minh); unilateral blast by UN Secretary General U Thant at U.S. conduct of a "barbarous" war in Vietnam. . . . Insiders' wondering whether President's decision to retire Adm. Raborn as head of CIA and elevate his deputy Richard Helms (an experienced and much respected intelligence professional) to #1 spot was dictated by a) bureaucratic or b) policy considerations. . . . Peace rumors floated anew though only important dove in State Department, Under Secretary George Ball, prepares to step down. . . . On two counts Washington debunks—in advance—hints that Ball's replacement will be Bill Moyers: not enough experience in foreign affairs; too valuable to LBJ in his present position.

Oh, that Nkrumah! According to British reports Sékou Touré is now considering sending Nkrumah to the UN as Guinea's official representative, which might be difficult to carry out since Interpol has just put the late Osagyefo on its list of wanted international criminals (Ghanaian authorities are looking for \$180,000 of Ghana Educational Trust that had been banked in Cairo). Meanwhile, Nkrumah spends time attacking Gen. Joseph Ankrah over Radio Conakry, whose signal is weak because, it turns out, Russian builders placed tower on an iron deposit.

James Meredith, who returned to Mississippi march last week, disagrees with Joseph L. Rauh that the blame for his shooting "rests squarely at the doorsteps of the FBI." The FBI, says Meredith, "didn't invent the racial problems in this country." Meredith also opposes the armed Negro Deacons of Defense, thinks that civil rights movement shouldn't mix in with Vietnam war. . . . Adam Clayton Powell Jr. has lined up with Walter Reuther vs. George Meany over the AFL-CIO decision to walk out of the International Labor Organization after it elected a Polish Communist as President.

Mystery Note of the Month: One of three French residents picked up by Algerian police on May 4 in unexplained raid is a widowed dressmaker, Mme. Suzanne Zakipe. Mme. Zakipe and her late husband have since been identified as members of the Fourth International and close friends of Leon Trotsky. It was in her home that Trotsky's wife died three years ago.